



# Weekly Newsletter

## Big Garden Birdwatch

23–25 January 2026

We are excited to let you know that our school will be taking part in the Big Garden Birdwatch, a wonderful national event that encourages children and families to connect with nature and learn more about the wildlife around them.

The Birdwatch is a simple, enjoyable activity where you spend just one hour observing the birds that visit your garden, balcony, local park or another outdoor space. It's a fantastic opportunity for children to build curiosity about nature, practice careful observation, and feel part of a nationwide project.



Please feel free to send in any pictures from your Birdwatch. These could include birds they spot, their tally sheets, or even photos of them taking part. We will share these in school to celebrate everyone's efforts.

Thank you for your support in helping us nurture a love of nature and outdoor learning. We hope you enjoy taking part in the Big Garden Birdwatch as much as we will.

## Top Pick Book of the week 'Robin' by Sarah Ann Juckes



### Suggested reading age - 8+

Robin is an absolute masterpiece - a love letter to the healing nature of the outdoors and a celebration of being courageous by using our voice.

Eddie feels invisible - his sister isn't well and nobody seems to remember that he's here.

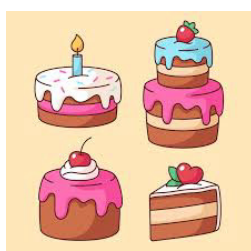
Out in the forest, as the ice hardens and winter gets deeper, the world is quiet.....but there's a monster amongst the trees. When a little red bird takes Eddie to meet Mari, a strange and fierce girl with blurred edges just like him, she shows him how to be loud, make new friends and enjoy the music he loves again.

## Cake Stall

The parents of Year 6 children will be holding a cake stall on Friday 30th January to raise money for the leavers party. It will take place after school outside the Year 6 classrooms.

The cakes will be sold for either 50p or £1 so please could you help the parents by making sure you have plenty of change.

Thank you.



## Lacrosse

Our Y5/6 Lacrosse team put in an outstanding performance at the Open Final at Reddish Vale High School. They topped the round-robin stage with excellent teamwork and standout individual efforts. In a fast and competitive final against Queensgate P.S., the match stayed neck-and-neck right until Queensgate scored the winning goal in the final seconds.

We're incredibly proud of the team's skill, determination and sportsmanship. Finishing as runners-up means we're now heading to the Manchester Games on 26 March, representing Stockport alongside Queensgate P.S.

Well done, team!

# GROW STARS OF THE WEEK

## Reception

Sylive & Sylvia

KS1

Year 1: Arthur & Caylan

Year 2: Arthur & Ezra

KS2

Year 3: Oscar & Caleb

Year 4: Skyler & Felix

Year 5: Sannah & Aurelia

Year 6: James & Joseph

## Our Big Planet Promise

This half term, all children will be exploring an important theme: **sustainability**.

Through exciting activities and discussions, they'll learn how small actions can make a big difference for our planet.

If any parents/carers have a job or personal interest linked to sustainability and would like to come in and speak to the children, we'd love to hear from you! **Please get in touch with us to arrange a visit.**



## Thursday 29th January Switch Off Day!



On Thursday 29th January we will be trying to limit the amount of electricity we use by switching lights off and using computers as little as possible. Please join us on the day and try to think of ways you can save electricity in your home.

## Reminders

- The car park is for staff only. Please do not use it at any time as children are on the site from 7.30am until 6.00pm.
- Please try and arrange none essential dental appointments outside of the school day or during the 13 weeks of holidays. More children are being brought to school late or collected early due to these appointments. It impacts on their learning, and the rest of the children in the class, who are being disturbed.
- Please remember the school gates close at 8.50am. Children need to be in school at that time. If they are late, please put the exact reason on Inventory as this will be used for the registers.
- **DO NOT** give your child over the counter nose sprays, eye drops etc. to keep with them in class. A medicine form needs to be completed and handed to the office.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

[For a full list of dates for the 2025-26 academic year, please see our Annual Planner which can be accessed by clicking on this link.](#)

Date	Event
<b>January</b>	
19th	Parent's meeting for Year 5 residential at 5.00pm
21st	Parent's meeting for Year 3 residential at 5.00pm
28th	Year 6 SATs parents meeting at 5.00pm
29th	Switch Off Day
<b>February</b>	
2nd-6th	Walk to School Week
6th	Year 4 trip to Peak Wildlife
11th	Parents meeting for Year 4 residential
13th	<b>Last day of term</b>
23rd	<b>School reopens</b>
24th	Year 3 trip to Bolton Museum

